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Please find following a Stock Exchange Announcement recently released.

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Regards

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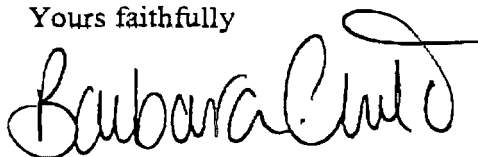
Dear Sir / Madam

Centrica plc – Allotted 79,257 Ordinary Shares
Rule 12g 3-2 (b) File No 82-4518

The enclosed document is to be furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on behalf of Centrica plc (the "Company") pursuant to the exemption from the Securities Exchange Act 1934 (the "Act") afforded by Rule 12g 3-2 (b) thereunder.

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Yours faithfully



For and on behalf of
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CENTRICA PLC

On 12 August 2002, Centrica plc allotted 79,257 ordinary shares of 5 5/9p each to Centrica Quest Limited in its capacity as a Qualifying Employee Share Ownership Trust (QUEST) for the Company's employee Sharesave Scheme. The shares were allotted on 12 August 2002 at 174.00p per share.

Although none of the directors have exercised their sharesave options, the executive directors of the Company, being beneficiaries under the Trust, as with other employees, are deemed to have a potential interest in the shares.

Yours faithfully

Derek Woodward

Head of Secretariat
